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The Honorable Mike Doyle Member, United States House of Representatives 11 Duff Road Pittsburgh, PA 15235

Attention: Alan Smith

Dear Congressman Doyle:

Thank you for your letter of January 13, 2010, concerning Master Sergeant James S. Frazier, U.S. Marine Corps Reserve, Retired, and his promotion status.

The matters addressed in your correspondence are under the cognizance of the Board for Correction of Naval Records. Therefore, in order to provide you with more detailed information concerning Master Sergeant Frazier's case, your correspondence has been forwarded to the Chairman, Board for Correction of Naval Records, Department of the Navy, Washington, DC 20370-5100, for further reply to you. If you have any further questions regarding this action, you may contact that agency at (703) 614-1316.

It was a pleasure to be of assistance to you, and I hope this information is helpful.

Very respectfully,

J. M. PHILLIPS Lead Congressional Liaison Office of Legislative Affairs Correspondence

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From: Commandant of the Marine Corps

To: Chairman, Board for Correction of Naval Records, Department of the Navy, Washington, DC 20370-5100

Subj: CONGRESSIONAL CORRESPONDENCE CONCERNING MASTER SERGEANT JAMES S. FRAZIER, USMCR, RETIRED

Encl: (1) Congressman Mike Doyle's ltr of 13 Jan 10, w/encls

(2) Copy of OLAC reply to Congressman Doyle

1. Enclosures (1) and (2) are forwarded for consideration and further reply as a matter within your cognizance.

J. M. PHILLIPS
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BOARD FOR CORRECTION OF NAVAL RECORDS 2 NAVY ANNEX WASHINGTON DC 20370-5100

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Docket No: 13153-09/

2503-08

24 December 2009

MSGT JAMES S FRAZIER USMCR RET

Dear Master Sergeant Frazier:

This is in reference to your letter dated 9 December 2009 with enclosures, in which you ask the Board to reconsider its decision to deny your request for retroactive promotion to master gunnery sergeant, pay grade E-9, from the Fiscal Year 2004 Reserve Master Gunnery Sergeant Selection Board.

As was pointed out to you in our letter of 16 January 2009, when a request for corrective action is denied by the Board, sitting in executive session, new and material evidence or other matter not previously considered must be submitted in order to have the Board reconsider its decision. After a careful review of your letter and enclosures, I am unable to find any new and material evidence or other matter not previously considered by the Board. Accordingly, I regret to inform you that further review of your case is not warranted.

Sincerely,

Executive Direct



CORRECTED VERSION

MSGT. JAMES S. FRAZIER USMCR (RET)



09 December 2009

Department of the Navy Board for the Correction of Naval Records (BCNR) 2 Navy Annex Washington, DC. 20370-5100

- Ref: (1) Marine Corps Enlisted Promotion Manual MCO P1400.32D
 - (2) BCNR Docket No 05674-07
- Encl: (1), Copy of Letter of J.A. McLaughlin date May 04 2005
 - (2) Copy of MCTFS Diary Entry on 08 April 2005
 - (3) Copy of Commanding General, Marine Corps Mobilization Command (MOBCOM) Letter 1900 Cmd Dated 2 Sept 05

To Whom It May Concern:

In accordance with BCNR policy, I request reconsideration of the decision in the above captioned case. This request is based on the following:

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In their decision, The BCNR found that;

The evidence submitted was insufficient to establish the existence of probable material error or injustice.

The BCNR substantially concurred with the comments contained in the Advisory Opinion. However, the BCNR did concede that I was not considered by the FY2004 Reserve SNCO Selection Board (IRR) as claimed in the Advisory Opinion.

The BCNR found the promotion restriction by reason of your administrative separation proceedings did not affect your remedial consideration for promotion. The BCNR came to this conclusion although_the Marine Corps did not reach that same conclusion in the Advisory Opinion and the BCNR offered no other basis for their conclusion of that fact in their decision

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Submitted as enclosure (1) of this correspondence, is a copy of a letter from Major J.A. McLaughlin, Head of Enlistment Promotion Section. This letter clearly corroborates I was to be considered by the Enlisted Remedial Board on 11 May 2005.

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To substantiate and prove this promotion restriction due to administrative separation entry in the MCTFS diary did in

fact prohibit my promotion to Master Gunnery Sergeant (E9), I submit the following excerpts from reference (1) the Marine Corps Enlisted Promotion Manual, Marine Corps Order P1400. 32D.

1100. CHAPTER 1.

41. Withhold Promotion Authority. When a commander no longer has the authority to promote a Marine as a result of the Marine being placed in a promotion restriction or withhold status.

1203. PROMOTION POLICIES

- 1. General. This Manual is the authority for all enlisted promotions in the Marine Corps. Promotions effected not in accordance with this Manual or by implementing directives not referenced in this Manual will be considered erroneous and immediately revoked. There are no waivers to this policy. All Marine Corps agencies and commands must coordinate with the CMC (MMPR) to ensure any meritorious or incentive programs are properly addressed in this Manual.
- 26. Marines who are confined by civil and/or foreign authorities, on appellate leave, or in an unauthorized absence and/or deserter status, or who enter such status while the selection board is in session, are not eligible for promotion consideration. If the Marine is subsequently exonerated of any wrongdoing, appropriate remedial consideration may be granted.

1204. PROMOTION RESTRICTIONS

- 4. Marines will not be promoted while in any of the following categories:
- t. Marines who are confined by civil and/or foreign authorities, on appellate leave, or in an unauthorized absence and/or deserter status will not be promoted. If a Marine who is under consideration by a SNCO selection board enters into one of the above categories while the board is in session, the individual will be administratively deleted from the list of eligibles. If the Marine is subsequently exonerated of any wrong doing, appropriate remedial consideration may be granted.

Note: At the time of the promotion restriction due to administrative separation entry and the remedial promotion board, I was confined by civil authorities which prohibited my promotion in accordance with the above excerpt from reference (1) of this correspondence, the Marine Corps Enlisted Promotion Manual. However, I was found not guilty and exonerated of the criminal offense that the promotion restriction pending administrative separation was based on and released from civil confinement.

u. Marines pending administrative separation for misconduct, unsatisfactory participation in the reserve component, homosexual conduct, unsatisfactory performance, alcohol rehabilitation failure, domestic violence, child abuse, weight control failure, etc. are not eligible for selection consideration or promotion. The loss of promotion eligibility begins the date the administrative separation package is signed by the commander for forwarding to the General Court-Martial Convening Authority for final disposition.

Note: I am submitting as enclosure (3) of this correspondence, a letter from the Commanding General, Marine Corps Mobilization Command that will demonstrate that the promotion restriction due to administrative separation entry on me was in $\underline{\text{violation}}$ of the above excerpt from reference (1), the Marine Corps Enlisted Promotion Manual. The Final Endorsement from the Commander, MOBCOM is written on top of this letter and clearly shows the administrative separation package was not signed by the Commander for forwarding to the General Court-Martial Convening Authority for final disposition until 22 Jul 05. The loss of promotion eligibility should have begun on that date, however, the promotion restriction due to administrative separation was entered on me on 08 April 2005. This illegal entry prohibited my consideration for promotion by the remedial promotion board that convened on 11 May 2005. Additionally. Paragraph 1. of enclosure (3) also shows the reason for the promotion restriction pending administrative separation was misconduct which also prohibited selection consideration by the remedial board convening 11 May 2005 in accordance with the above excerpt from reference (1), the Marine Corps Enlisted Promotion Manual.

 $\ensuremath{\mathrm{Z}}\xspace.$ While pending adjudication of charges by a civil court, either foreign or domestic.

Mote: The promotion restriction due to administrative separation entry alerted the convening remedial promotion board I was pending adjudication of charges by a civil court. Thereby, prohibiting my selection consideration in accordance with the above excerpt from reference (1) of this correspondence, the Marine Corps Enlisted Promotion Manual.

bb. While awaiting administrative reduction or separation (excluding nonculpable physical disability).

Note: As demonstrated by enclosures (2) and (3) of this correspondence, the promotion restriction pending administrative separation alerted the remedial board that I was awaiting administrative separation thereby prohibiting my selection consideration in accordance with the above excerpt from reference (1) of this correspondence, the Marine Corps Enlisted Promotion Manual.

CC. When not recommended for reenlistment RE-4/4B

<u>Mote:</u> Paragraph 1 of enclosure (3) also shows at the time of the promotion restriction entry, I was **not recommended** for reenlistment with an RE-4. This also prohibited my selection consideration by the remedial promotion board which convened on 11 May 2005 in accordance with the above excerpt from reference (1), the Marine Corps Enlisted Promotion Manual.

5. A page 11 counseling entry is required for those Marines assigned to a period of promotion restriction per paragraph 1204.4 above. The entry will include the specific promotion restriction that applies and the period of time

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the restriction remains in effect. If a waiver is authorized, a subsequent page 11 counseling entry will be entered documenting the waiver and the name and rank of the official authorizing the waiver

3100. GENERAL

2. Records that provide a substantially accurate, complete and fair portrayal of the Marine's career are especially important when the Marine is being considered for selection to the next higher grade. With this in mind, the Marine must bear the individual responsibility for ensuring the accuracy of his or her Official Military Personnel File (OMPF) and the data contained in the MCTFS regarding service history. The Marine must actively pursue, and bring to the attention of the command, any discrepancies noted for corrective action prior to the convening of a regularly scheduled selection board before which the Marine is eligible for consideration. The command bears the responsibility for assisting the Marine in obtaining, reviewing and correcting discrepancies in the Marine's OMPF and/or the data contained in the MCTFS.

3107 COMMAND SCREENING OF SELECTED MARINES' RECORDS.

Commanders will be guided by paragraph 1200.4 of this Manual in their review of the records of Marines selected for promotion.

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3602. ELIGIBILITY

- 5. The examples listed below reflect the types of cases **most commonly approved** by the CMC (MMPR-2) for consideration by the ERSB. They are not all-inclusive, and not all such cases will be forwarded to the ERSB
- $_{\rm C}.$ The Marine is denied promotion opportunity as a result of action required by paragraph $\underline{1204}$ and is subsequently acquitted or absolved of all responsibility.

Note: I was found not guilty and exonerated of the criminal offense that the promotion restriction pending administrative separation was based on and released from civil confinement. The promotion restriction due to administrative separation due to misconduct was entered under paragraph 1204 of reference (1) of this correspondence, the Marine Corps Enlisted Promotion Manual.

Based on all of the above and the fact the BCNR has already conceded in their decision in this case that I was never considered for promotion by the FY2004 Reserve SNCO Selection Board (IRR), and, that in accordance with Marine Corps Promotion Policy, I was prohibited from receiving consideration by the remedial promotion board of 11 May 2005, I request remedial promotion to Master Gunnery Sergeant (E9). This case is intimately connected to my previous case, docket 05674-07, reference (2) of this correspondence.

I am entitled to remedial promotion consideration as outlined in the Marine Corps Promotion Manual. Relevant excerpts provided above in this correspondence.

Respectfully//)I am

JAMES S FRAZIER, JR.

Master sergeant uşmcr (ret)



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY HEADQUARTERS UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS MANFOWER AND RESERVE AFFAIRS DEPARTMENT HARRY LEE HALL, 17 LEJEUNE ROAD OUANTICO, VIRGINIA 22134-5104

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Major, U.S. Marine Corps

Head, Enlisted Promotion Section

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UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS

MARINE CORPS MOBILIZATION COMMAND 15303 ANDREWS ROAD KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI 64147-1207

IN REPLY REFER TO: 1900 Cmd

FINAL ENDORSEMENT on Cmdr, MOBCOM 1tr 1900/ADJ/LEG of 22 Jul 05

From: Commanding General, Marine Corps Mobilization Command

To: Commandant of the Marine Corps (MMSB-20), Headquarters, U. S. Marine

Corps, Quantico, VA 22134-5002

Subj: RECOMMENDATION FOR ADMINISTRATIVE DISCHARGE OF MASTER SERGEANT

JAMES S. FRAZIER USMCR

Ref: (a) MCO 1900.16 (MARCORSEPMAN)

1. The recommendation that the respondent be administratively discharged from the United States Marine Corps Reserve is approved. By copy of this letter, the Respondent's Administrative Branch is directed to take those administrative steps necessary to effect subject Marine's separation within 20 days from the date of receipt of this letter under the following criteria:

a. Characterization of Service: Other Than Honorable

b. Authority for Discharge: MARCORSEPMAN, par. 6210.6

c. Separation Code: (HKQ1) - Misconduct

d. Reenlistment Code: RE-4

e. Suspension: NONE

2. The administrative section will forward the closed-out service record book of subject Marine to the Commandant of the Marine Corps (MMSB-20) and, by separate correspondence, inform MOBCOM (ADJ), of the date of separation.

D. L. MOORE, BGen, USMCR

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MSGT. JAMES S. FRAZIER USMCR (RET)

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Major, U.S. Marine Corps
Head, Enlisted Promotion Section

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* NOTE AS SHOWN ABOUT, MY PROMOTION RESTRICTION WAS
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DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY

BOARD FOR CORRECTION OF NAVAL RECORDS
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BJG

Docket No: 2503-08 16 January 2009

MSGT JAMES S FRAZIER USMCR RET

Dear Master Sergeant Frazier:

This is in reference to your application for correction of your naval record pursuant to the provisions of title 10 of the United States Code, section 1552.

You requested, in effect, retroactive promotion to master gunnery sergeant from the Fiscal Year (FY) 2004 Reserve Master Gunnery Sergeant Selection Board. You also requested that your retirement date of 1 September 2005 be changed.

A three-member panel of the Board for Correction of Naval Records, sitting in executive session, considered your application on 8 January 2009. Your allegations of error and injustice were reviewed in accordance with administrative regulations and procedures applicable to the proceedings of this Board. Documentary material considered by the Board consisted of your application, together with all material submitted in support thereof, your naval record and applicable statutes, regulations and policies. In addition, the Board considered the advisory opinion from Headquarters Marine Corps, dated 25 June 2008, a copy of which is attached. The Board also considered your rebuttal letter dated 18 July 2008 with enclosures and the letter dated 2 December 2008 on your behalf from Lieutenant Colonel A---, United States Marine Corps Reserve (Retired).

After careful and conscientious consideration of the entire record, the Board found that the evidence submitted was insufficient to establish the existence of probable material error or injustice. In this connection, the Board substantially concurred with the comments contained in the advisory opinion, except to note you were not considered by the FY 2004 Reserve Master Gunnery Sergeant Selection Board, but were considered and not selected when afforded remedial consideration for that promotion board. The Board found the promotion restriction by reason of your administrative separation proceedings did not affect your remedial consideration for promotion. The Board found that enclosure (1) to your application, reflecting that on 11 February 2005 you were approved for a reenlistment of 24 months, did not support changing the retirement date of 1 September 2005 established pursuant to this Board's corrective action, docket number 5674-07. In view of the above, your application has been denied. The names and votes of the members of the panel will be furnished upon request.

It is regretted that the circumstances of your case are such that favorable action cannot be taken. You are entitled to have the Board reconsider its decision upon submission of new and material evidence or other matter not previously considered by the Board. In this regard, it is important to keep in mind that a presumption of regularity attaches to all official records. Consequently, when applying for a correction of an official naval record, the burden is on the applicant to demonstrate the existence of probable material error or injustice.

Sincerely,

Executive Div

Enclosure

MEMORANDUM TO FILE	
Docket No. 02503-08	*02503-08* *02503-08*
Examiner: BJG Branch/Status 7 - USMCR(Ret)	
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July 18, 2008

From: Master Sergeant James S. Frazier

To; Department of the Navy
Board for the Correction of Naval Records
2 Navy Annex, Room 2432
Washington, DC 20370-5100

Subj: RESPONSE TO ADVISORY OPINION IN THE CASE OF MASTER SERGEANT JAMES S. FRAZIER USMCR BCNR DOCKET # 2503-08 OF 12 JUN 08

Encl: (1) CMC ltr 1400/3 MMPR-2 of 4 May 05

(2) Copy of the Command (MCTFS) Unit Diary Entry

- 1. In the advisory opinion, the US Marine Corps did not dispute any of the facts as outlined in paragraphs (1) through (10) of my Application for Corrections of Military Records (DD149) of 12 Jun 08. Instead, the only information they put forth was to quote the generic broad policy of a selection board. What is blatantly absent is any mention of specific information as to why I would not meet the Selection Board's requirement of best and fully qualified. My record of service with the US Marine Corps for many years have always been no less than excellent to outstanding. This was noted by the BCNR in the final decision of my previous case docket # 5674-07. A review of my Official Military Personnel File (OMPF). will verify the same. Enclosure (3) of my DD149 will demonstrate I exceeded the Marine Corps Military Occupational Specialty (MOS) and Professional Military Education (PME) requirements. Surely, if there were anything in my record to preclude my promotion it would have been included in the advisory opinion.
- 2. Paragraph 2 of the advisory opinion misleads the BCNR by erroneously stating the FY 2004 Reserve SNCO Selection Board did not select me. As I stated in my DD149, that Board due to an erroneous Pay Entry Base Date (PEBD) never considered me for promotion. This is corroborated by enclosure (1) of this correspondence and enclosure (5) of my DD149.
- 3. Additionally, paragraph 2 of the advisory opinion eludes to the fact that enclosure (1) of this correspondence approved me for remedial promotion consideration However, it fails to mention that on the very same day that that CMC letter was written, May 4,2005, the US Marine Corps entered a promotion restriction on me in the (MCTFS) Unit Diary System, thereby, prohibiting my promotion by the very same Board. I have enclosed a copy of this entry as enclosure (2) of this correspondence and enclosure (6) of my DD149. That entry was based solely on a criminal charge in which I was subsequently found not guilty of by reason self-defense. I have enclosed a certificate

from the court verifying the disposition of that charge as enclosure (4) of my DD149. Moreover, that (MCTFS) entry was the sole reason for my non-selection by the remedial board which convened on 11 May 05, seven (7) days after the promotion restriction was entered. That generated the non-selection CMC ltr 18 May 05 put forth as reference (d) of the advisory opinion.

- 4. This case is intertwined with my previous BCNR case Docket # 5674-07.
- 5. It is hoped and prayed for that in the interest of justice, the BCNR follows the evidence in this case and concludes I have proved the merits of my case and grants my petition.

JAMES S FRAZIE

USMCR

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DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY

BOARD FOR CORRECTION OF NAVAL RECORDS
2 NAVY ANNEX
WASHINGTON DC 20370-5100

BJG:kes Docket No. 02503-08 10 July 2008



Dear Master Sergeant Frazier:

This is in reference to your application for correction of your naval record.

Your case has been assigned to the Board's Performance Section. All correspondence pertaining to your case should be sent to the attention of this section.

The Board has received an advisory opinion, a copy of which is enclosed. The views set forth in this opinion are those of the office that submitted it, and are not binding on the Board or its reviewing authority. If you wish to respond to the advisory opinion or submit documentary material in support of your application, it is requested that you do so within 30 days of the date of this letter. Your response should be sent to the Board and not to the official who furnished the advisory opinion.

If you are unable to respond within the 30-day period, you may request an extension of time. In your request, please indicate when the Board may expect to receive your response. If no response or request for an extension of time is received within the 30-day period, your case will be classified as being ready for review by the Board, and will be decided on the evidence of record as soon as the Board's crowded docket of cases permits.

As a general rule, the Board will not decide a case prior to the expiration of the 30-day period unless it has received the applicant's response to the advisory opinion. However, an exception may be made if a case warrants expeditious action.

The most common example is when an applicant who is seeking removal of a fitness report is also scheduled to be considered for promotion within the 30-day period. Under these circumstances, the Board may, in its discretion, decide the case before the 30-day period expires and without waiting for the applicant's response to the advisory opinion. Should the case be denied, the Board will treat the applicant's response as a request for reconsideration.

Sincerely,

JONATHAN S. RUSKIN

Head, Performance Section

Enclosure
MMPR-2 memo dtd 25 Jun 08



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY

HEADQUARTERS UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS MANPOWER AND RESERVE AFFAIRS DEPARTMENT HARRY LEE HALL, 17 LEJEUNE ROAD QUANTICO, VIRGINIA 22134-5104

IN REPLY REFER TO:

1400/3 MMPR-2 JUN **25 2008**

MEMORANDUM FOR THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, BOARD FOR CORRECTION OF NAVAL RECORDS

Subj: ADVISORY OPINION IN THE CASE OF MASTER SERGEANT JAMES S. FRAZIER USMCR

Ref:

- (a) BCNR Docket Number 2503-08 of 12 Jun 08
- (b) MCO P1400.32C, ENLPROMMAN
- (c) CMC ltr 1400/3 MMPR-2 of 4 May 05
- (d) CMC ltr 1420/4 MMPR-2 of 18 May 05
- 1. Per reference (a), Master Sergeant Frazier requests remedial promotion consideration to the rank of master gunnery sergeant by the FY 2004 Reserve Staff Noncommissioned Officer (SNCO) Selection Board (IRR).
- 2. In accordance with the provisions outlined in reference (b), Master Sergeant Frazier was approved for remedial promotion consideration as stated in reference (c). Reference (d) states he was not selected for promotion by the FY 2004 Reserve SNCO Selection Board (IRR).
- 3. In reference (a), Master Sergeant Frazier asserts he would have been considered the best and fully qualified for promotion in occupational field (OccFld) 3500 simply because he was the only Marine being considered. This is not the case. Each selection board has the discretion to determine if promoting to allocation is in the best interest of the Marine Corps. If a board determines the eligible Marine(s) are not the best and fully qualified, that MOS will simply have a shortfall.
- 4. Based on the foregoing, it is the recommendation of this office that Master Sergeant Frazier's record remain unchanged.

L. A. ECKER

Assistant Head,

L. A. Ecker

Enlisted Promotion Section



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY

BOARD FOR CORRECTION OF NAVAL RECORDS
2 NAVY ANNEX
WASHINGTON DC 20370-5100

12 June 2008

MEMO FOR COMMANDANT OF THE MARINE CORPS (CODE MMER)

Subj: REQUEST FOR ADVISORY OPINION(S)

- 1. Please provide advisory opinion(s) from the indicated offices for the following named petitioner(s).
- 2. It is further requested that the enclosures be returned with your reply. In the event the requested action can be granted administratively, please take action and notify the Board accordingly.
- 3. If you are unable to furnish a reply within 30 days, please notify this office, 703-614-2293/DSN 224-2293.

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BCNR

MARCH 13, 2008 JAMES S. FRAZIER BOARD FOR CORRECTION OF NAVAL RECRES 2 NAVY ANNEX WASHINGTON, DC. 20370-5100 RE: BCNR DOCKET# 2503 TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN; THIS IS TO INFORM THE BCNR that the ABOVE CAPTIONED CASE IS CONNECTED to my PREVIOUS BONR PETITION DOCKET# 5674-07 WHICH WAS & CLOSED FAVORABLY IN JANUARY 2008. I REFERENCES this CASE IN MY CAPTIONED PETITION # 2503-08, HOWEVE DID NOT KNOW the PREVIOUS DOCKET NUMBER the time of F. I. Ng. Therefore PLEASE ANNOTE Docket # 5674-07 10 the Blank on the 1. PAGE OF MY CURRENT CAPTIONED POTITION AN of My Captioners Petition # 2503-08